

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO

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HILDA ORTEGA,	:	CASE NO. 1:13-CV-02080
Plaintiff,	:	
v.	:	OPINION & ORDER
COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL	:	[Resolving Docs. <a href="#">1</a> & <a href="#">17</a> ]
SECURITY ADMINISTRATION,	:	
Defendant.	:	

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JAMES S. GWIN, UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE:

On June 11, 2014, Magistrate Judge Vernelis K. Armstrong recommended that the Court affirm the Commissioner of Social Security's denial of supplemental security income<sup>1/</sup> to Plaintiff Hilda Ortega.<sup>2/</sup> Plaintiff Ortega has not filed an objection to the Report and Recommendation. The Court **ADOPTS** the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation and **AFFIRMS** the Commissioner's decision.

The Federal Magistrates Act requires a district court to conduct a *de novo* review only of those portions of a Report and Recommendation to which the parties have made an objection.<sup>3/</sup> Parties must file any objections to a Report and Recommendation within fourteen days of service.<sup>4/</sup> Failure to object within that time waives a party's right to appeal the Magistrate Judge's

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<sup>1/</sup>Plaintiff Ortega originally sought disability insurance benefits as well, but she withdrew that request before the administrative law judge. See Doc. [15](#) at 1-2.

<sup>2/</sup>Doc. [17](#).

<sup>3/</sup>[28 U.S.C. § 636\(b\)\(1\)](#).

<sup>4/</sup>[N.D. Ohio L.R. 72.3\(b\)](#).

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recommendation.<sup>5/</sup> Absent objection, a district court may adopt the Magistrate Judge's report without review.<sup>6/</sup> Moreover, having conducted its own review of the complaint<sup>7/</sup> and briefing,<sup>8/</sup> this Court agrees with the conclusions of the Magistrate Judge.

Accordingly, the Court **ADOPTS** in whole Magistrate Judge Armstrong's findings of fact and conclusions of law and incorporates them fully herein by reference. The Court **AFFIRMS** the Commissioner's denial of supplemental security income.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: July 3, 2014

s/ James S. Gwin  
JAMES S. GWIN  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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<sup>5/</sup>*Id.*; see [Thomas v. Arn](#), 474 U.S. 140, 145 (1985); [United States v. Walters](#), 638 F.2d 947, 949-50 (6th Cir. 1981).

<sup>6/</sup>[Thomas](#), 474 U.S. at 149.

<sup>7/</sup>Doc. [1](#).

<sup>8/</sup>Doc. [15](#) (Plaintiff's brief); Doc. [16](#) (Commissioner's brief).